



Press Release

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On: JUNE EGG PRODUCTION
DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO

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Austin . . . June egg production in Texas totaled 389 million eggs, down 1 percent from June 2003, and down 4 percent from May 2004, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

The number of layers during June averaged 18.0 million, down 2 percent from both last year and May 2004. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,159 eggs, up 1 percent from last year but 3 percent below last month.

Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 54.8 million, up 2 percent from last year.

United States egg production totaled 7.27 billion eggs during June 2004, up 2 percent from a year ago. Production included 6.20 billion table eggs, 1.02 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 54.0 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 342 million during June 2004, up 2 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers averaged 2,126 eggs, up slightly from the 2,122 eggs in June 2003.

Laying flocks in the thirty major egg producing states produced 6.79 billion eggs during June. The number of layers during June 2004 averaged 319 million.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 38.1 million, up 4 percent from June 2003. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 786 million, was up 1 percent from June of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 6.7 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2004, down slightly from June 2003.